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RESPONSE

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Sir:

Applicants have carefully reviewed the Office Action dated September 18, 2002, related to the above-mentioned patent application, and request consideration of the following remarks.

REMARKS

In the Office Action dated September 18, 2002, the Examiner has required election of a single species under 35 U.S.C. 121 for the polythiol, the polyisocyanate, and the polyamine of the present invention. In regards to the polythiol, Applicants elect 2,2'-thiodiethanethiol (DMDS); support for which can be found on page 5, lines 21-22, of the specification. For the polyisocyanate, Applicants elect $\alpha, \alpha, \alpha', \alpha'$ -tetramethylxylene diisocyanate (TMXDI); support for which can be found on page 10, lines 16-18, of the

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